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Nice Guy, But

CIA Chief Wears Big Business Tie

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·Adm. WASHINGTON Villiam F. Raborn is such a ice guy that the Senate will loubtless confirm him as

chief of Cenral Intelligence without much debate.

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tirement he has been steeped in exactly the atomosphere which Dwight D. Eisenhower blasted so vigorously in his last message to the American people on Jan. 17, 1961, when he warned of a dangerous alliance between the big military complex and the big defense complex.

The big defense complex from which Adm. Raborn - Aerojet-General came Tire-Polaris—went one step beyond Gen. Eisenhower's warning and also includes radio-television and newspapers.

Rep. Edward Hebert, (D;a.) disclosed in a probe of defense lobbying that Aerojet employed 66 admirals, generals, and other retired officers, of whom 26 gave identical, evasive answers dictated by Aerojet when asked whether they had lobbied for defense contracts. Rep. Hebert never did get a real answer on this point.

Adm. Raborn was in charge of the Polaris missile program for the Navy from 1955 to 1963 and immediately upon retirement walked over to the company which had the chief Polaris contract — Aerojet — to be-come its vice president in charge of Polaris production in California. He was not, however, one of those grilled by Rep. Hebert.

This defense contractor background of the new Chief of Central Intelligence is important because Rep Wright Patman, (D;Tex) has exposed some of the se cret links between big business and the CIA. There have been others, including the manner in which ClA arranged for tax-free busi ness funds to go into an anti Israel, pro-Arab organization in the Middle East at a time when the White House was trying to keep peace in the Middle East.